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1. (Amended) A method of curling and/or thickening keratin fibers comprising applying to said keratin fibers an effective amount for said curling and/or thickening of a mascara composition comprising:

- (i) a wax-in-water emulsion of at least one wax having a needle penetration ranging from 1 to 7.5 and a melting point ranging from 70°C to 110°C, wherein said at least one wax is present in an amount of greater than 9% by weight relative to the total weight of said composition, and further wherein said at least one wax is in the form of particles greater than or equal to at least 1  $\mu$ m in size and
- (ii) at least 0.1% by weight, relative to the total weight of said composition, of a polymer system containing at least one film-forming polymer, wherein said polymer system is capable of forming a film which produces, at a concentration of 7% in water, a greater than 1% retraction of isolated stratum corneum at 30°C and under a relative humidity of 40%.

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4. (Amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein said at least one wax is selected from rice bran wax, carnauba wax, candelilla wax, montan waxes, sugar cane waxes, and polyethylene waxes.

5. (Amended) A method according to claim 1, where at least one wax having said needle penetration has a melting point of at least 77°C and less than 83 °C.

6. (Amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein said at least one wax is a rice bran wax.

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14. (Amended) A method according to claim 12, wherein said at least one wax having a melting point ranging from 70°C to less than 77°C is present in an amount ranging from 5% to 20% by weight relative to the total weight of said waxes.

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27. (Amended) A method according to claim 25, wherein the weight ratio of said at least one wax having a needle penetration ranging from 1 to 7.5 to said at least one wax having a needle penetration of greater than 7.5 ranges from 2:1 to 5:1, wherein said at least one wax having a needle penetration ranging from 1 to 7.5 has a melting point ranging from 77 °C to 110 °C.

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59. (New) A method of curling and/or thickening keratin fibers comprising applying to said keratin fibers an effective amount for said curling and/or thickening of a mascara composition comprising:

- (i) a wax-in-water emulsion of at least one wax having a needle penetration ranging from 1 to 7.5 and a melting point ranging from 70°C to 110°C, wherein said at least one wax is present in an amount of at least 9% by weight relative to the total weight of said composition, and further wherein said at least one wax is in the form of particles greater than or equal to at least 1 µm in size and

- (ii) at least 0.1% by weight, relative to the total weight of said composition, of a polymer system containing at least one film-forming polymer, wherein said polymer system is capable of forming a film which produces, at a concentration of 7% in water, a greater than 1% retraction of isolated stratum corneum at 30°C and under a relative humidity of 40%,

wherein said at least one wax comprises a rice bran wax and a polyethylene wax.